

## Lecointe Wins Bennett Trophy In Record Time

French Aviator Completes Course of 186.3 Miles in 1 Hour 6 Minutes; Performance Disappointing

De Romanet Is Second

Two American Entrants Eliminated by Mishaps; Rohlf's Witnesses Start

ETAMPES, France, Sept. 28.—Sadi Lecointe, the aerial idol of France, won for his native land to-day a world's and permanent possession of the Gordon Bennett Airplane trophy in the first great international air race since the war. In a Nieuport special, Lecointe flew over the course of 186.3 miles in 1 hour 6 minutes and 17 1-5 seconds.

The great race proved to be a huge disappointment, both in point of speed and performance. Of the six starters only two completed the course and both were representatives of France. Captain de Romanet covered the distance in 1 hour 39 minutes and 35 2-5 seconds in a Spad.

The two American entries, piloted by Captain Rudolph W. Schroeder and Howard Rinehart, were early eliminated through minor mishaps. Captain F. P. Raynham, the sole British entry, also withdrew, as did Kirsch, the third French entry.

**Coombs Unable to Start**  
Clarence Coombs, who was to have flown the Curtiss Castus Kitten monoplane, which is looked upon as the fastest of the American entries, was unable to start owing to the fact that his machine did not arrive at the Villa Sauvage aerodrome twenty-four hours before the time set for the race, in accordance with the rules. This delay was directly due to the accident which befell Roland Rohlf's while landing here on Sunday.

The start of the race had been set for 7 o'clock this morning, but had to be delayed until after 1 o'clock in the afternoon because of threatening weather. Low lying clouds hung over the aerodrome and the hazy horizon gave very low visibility. Toward noon the sun began to pierce the blanket of clouds and the prospects brightened rapidly. As the sun gained in strength the contesting airmen started to warm up their motors for the race.

Shortly after 1 o'clock the order was given for the start. The six machines crossed the line as follows: Kirsch, France, 1:37 p. m.; Captain de Romanet, France, 1:44:52; Sadi Lecointe, 2:08:54; Rinehart, America, 2:11:10; Captain Schroeder, America, 2:37; Captain Raynham, England, 4:34:36.

**Rohlf's Sees Start**  
The course was over a lap of 100 kilometers, and each entrant had to fly over it three times. Kirsch completed the first 100 kilometers in 21 minutes 29 seconds in a Nieuport, establishing a world's record for the distance. Lecointe covered the first 100 kilometers in 21 minutes 36 seconds.

Roland Rohlf, who was injured Sunday while landing, appeared on the field just before the start. He had a black eye and was suffering from numerous bruises. He said he planned to sail for America to-morrow.

In a special statement issued yesterday, the contest committee of the Aero Club of America deplored the charges made by Claude R. Collins, president of the Aviators' Club of Pennsylvania, and C. Anderson Wright, president of

the Aero Club of Texas, that foul means were used by foreign entrants to keep America from winning. Messrs. Collins and Wright implied the French resorted to unsportsmanlike methods, "the Aero Club statement reads, but we have no evidence to sustain this. Their allegation that trick rules were devised to the embarrassment and injury of the American contestants is untrue, in so far as the contest committee of the Aero Club of America is informed."

## Towles Wooed Cook and Broke Pact, Says Wife

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they were living at their country home in Keyport, N. J., she ran to a nearby beach in her nightgown. On that night, Towles charged, his wife hit him over the eye with the heel of her slipper.

In the Newark action begun yesterday by the husband with a view to restraining Mrs. Towles from continuing the separation suit, the defense offered an affidavit signed by Mrs. Edythe Soderquist, a young woman who was living with Mrs. Towles in the eighty-eighth Street apartment at the time the couple signed their agreement and attempted to live together once more.

The affidavit charged that while Mrs. Towles was out of town Mr. Towles entered Mrs. Soderquist's bedroom and demanded a kiss. This was refused and Mrs. Soderquist said that she was compelled to drive the artist from her room with a swagger stick.

Mrs. Towles said yesterday that her husband, who has a studio at 1823 Broadway, was going to sue her for divorce in New Jersey on the grounds of desertion.

"My husband used to beat me so severely that I was compelled to leave him," said Mrs. Towles. "Then he came to me last January and proposed that we try living together again. I told him I would try it once more if he would sign an agreement which I drew up. It is the one offered as evidence in Newark."

"Beverly is a very popular fellow and makes the best sort of person to chum around with, but he was never meant to be a husband. He is too fond of the ladies. Shortly after he signed the agreement I discovered that he was running around with a cook who is employed by some swell millionaire on Fifth Avenue. He is still going with her and I have seen him driving her around town in his automobile. The fact that she has a husband who is a butler doesn't seem to bother him any."

"Last summer I made a visit to Babylon and left Beverly in the apartment. Mrs. Edythe Soderquist, whose husband was with the Army of Occupation in Europe at that time, was staying with us. When I returned from Babylon Mrs. Soderquist told me that Beverly had entered her room one night and sitting down on the bed said: 'Well, are you going to give me a kiss?' Mrs. Soderquist drove him out of the room with a swagger stick belonging to her husband and after that used to keep her door tied with a rope."

"He has accused me of drinking and smoking cigarettes. Well, the only cigarettes I ever smoked were those he brought me. He used to make me smoke perfumed cigarettes because he liked the odor. Then he used to get up parties in the flat and he would bring in wine and we used to drink that. This is the only drinking and smoking I ever did."

Vice-Chancellor Foster denied yesterday the application for an injunction restraining Mrs. Towles from continuing her separation action in New York. In the latter suit Justice Eurr already has granted to Mrs. Towles temporary alimony of \$20 a week and counsel fees of \$100.

Towles is head of the Beverly Towles Company, Inc., of this city.

## N. H. Republicans Vow to Restore People's Rights

Pledge Merited Recognition to Women in Party Councils and Aid for Veterans

CONCORD, N. H., Sept. 28.—The Republicans of New Hampshire were pledged "to restore the sovereignty of the people and preserve the fundamental principles of the Constitution" in the platform adopted by the Republican State Convention here to-day. The national candidates and their platform were warmly indorsed.

The resolutions assured women of merited recognition in party councils in the state and liberal dealings with World War veterans and their dependents was pledged. The "beneficial effects of prohibition" was declared to be a cause for congratulation.

The success of the Republican ticket in November, the platform added, would maintain the United States "unchallenged in a position of dignity" and at the same time tend toward "a policy of honest cooperation for the maintenance of peace, a policy resting upon the absolute foundation of unsoundable American independence."

Charles S. Emerson, in his address as president of the convention, welcomed the women voters and expressed the conviction that Republican principles and the Republican record would attract the new voters to its ranks.

United States Senator George H. Moses thanked the convention and the party in the state for the support accorded to him at the primaries, saying that he accepted it not so much as a tribute to himself as to the principles for which he stood—"New Hampshire and America and a virile Americanism, instead of the futile internationalism of President Wilson."

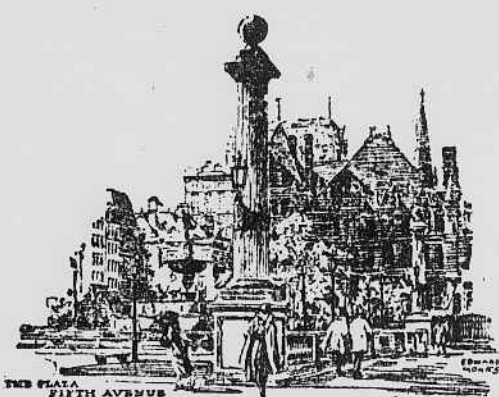
Representative Simeon D. Fess, of Ohio, said there was an unquestionable sentiment in the country for an association of nations, but he felt certain there was no considerable support of "a super-government."

## TELEPHONES ARE SCARCE But One on a Bracket Takes the Place of Four



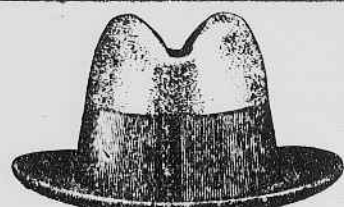
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